

PATENT APPLICATION
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of
Ian Anthony JONES, et al.
Appln. No.: 09/806,613
Confirmation No.: 3061
Filed: March 29, 2001
For: WELDING METHOD

Docket No: Q90170

Group Art Unit: 1725
Examiner: Maria Alexandra Elve

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

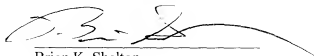
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of two months, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of February 23, 2006 from May 23, 2006 to July 23, 2006. As July 23, 2004 fell on Sunday, the filing of this response July 24, 2006 is timely filed within the second extension.

The USPTO is authorized to charge the statutory fee of \$450.00 to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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